

Bay Area Ob/Gyn

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To My Dear Patients at Bay Area Ob/Gyn:

It is with a heavy heart that I send this letter to notify you that my last day with the practice will be February 28, 2023. I have decided I must make this change, at least for the time-being, to be more present for my two young children. My new position will be as an "Ob Hospitalist" (something I best equate to an Ob/Gyn emergency care physician). In as much, I will no longer be able to follow patients in the outpatient setting.

Please know that you will be in exceptional hands if you so choose to remain a patient at Bay Area Ob/Gyn. Drs. Demerson and Kenney practice both obstetrics and gynecology, and Dr. Poag practices the full scope of gynecology. The practice also anticipates Dr. LaBerge joining in early fall of this year (she will practice both obstetrics and gynecology). If you wish to transfer to a physician outside of Bay Area Ob/Gyn, the practice will also be happy to help you with this transition. To remain in compliance with HIPPA laws, you will simply be asked to sign a release of medical records request, and the practice will forward your records to whomever you specify.

Thank you sincerely for trusting me with your care while I have worked at this practice. It has been my joy and my privilege to be your physician.

My warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melanie Christofferson', written in a cursive style.

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